



# A LETTER FROM ONE OF THE FOUNDERS

# A change in approach.

The Philippines Department of Justice released a report that stated online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC) cases in the Philippines were up by 264 percent in 2020. With public schools still being closed nationwide, this forced our team to change our approach to how we fight to protect the next generation of Filipino children. Starting in May, our team began reaching out to remote islands that we saw were at high risk of OSEC due to little or no police presence. We began passing out the book, "My Body Belongs to Me" to children and also educating parents on the signs of OSEC. As this program continued, we saw many more islands open up to us as well as other organizations interested in distributing the book.

Then, on December 16th, our fifth year anniversary, Typhoon Odette directly hit Cebu province where our programs are located. We were without communication with our staff for several days as electricity was slowly turned back on. After assessing the damage, our team partnered with other organizations to provide food, tarps, and prayer for those located on a remote island that had yet to receive any assistance.

It's in these moments, where we are once again forced to pivot our direction, that our strength of flexibility as an organization thrives and we are able to make changes according to the needs of those around us. As a result of these changes and the growth in our outreach, we are working to increase our staff and budget to meet these ever-changing needs.

Over the past two years, we are extremely grateful for those of you who have sacrificially given during hard times. It is because of the faithfulness of our financial partners that we have stayed operating and are able to create an impact report to showcase the life change that was made over the past Vegr so blessed by the support and encouragement from those of you who have followed our journey since day one. Hitting five years is a major milestone and we want to give God the glory for it all. So here's to another five!

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# **ABOUT**



### **MISSION**

We exist to equip and empower communities to prevent child exploitation in the Philippines.

# VISION

We see communities united, families strengthened through hope in Jesus Christ, and children empowered to stand up against all forms of abuse.

# **VALUES**

Hope- in Jesus Christ
Empower- personal growth and life change
Fun- while learning what is important
Connection- with God, others, and ourselves
Authenticity- despite external pressures
Community- to foster togetherness



# OUR WORK

The Philippines is the number one global source of child pornography, and the epicenter of the live-stream sexual abuse trade."



Our focus is to reach small communities that may not have the resources or time to focus on the prevention of child exploitation and abuse. Partnership with these communities not only brings strength to program efficacy but also fills a need that may not be met otherwise. There is no truer phrase than "it takes a village" and we are dedicated to equipping villages on what abuse is so that it can lead to prevention and ultimately protecting the next-gen.

# AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

Our programs include:

- Training- child protection, traumainformed, and OSEC awareness
- Bible study and worship with thriving survivors
- One-on-one monthly house visits and food packs
- Distributing the book, "My Body Belongs to Me" to remote islands
- Bible lessons and feeding on Fridays for children in a small community

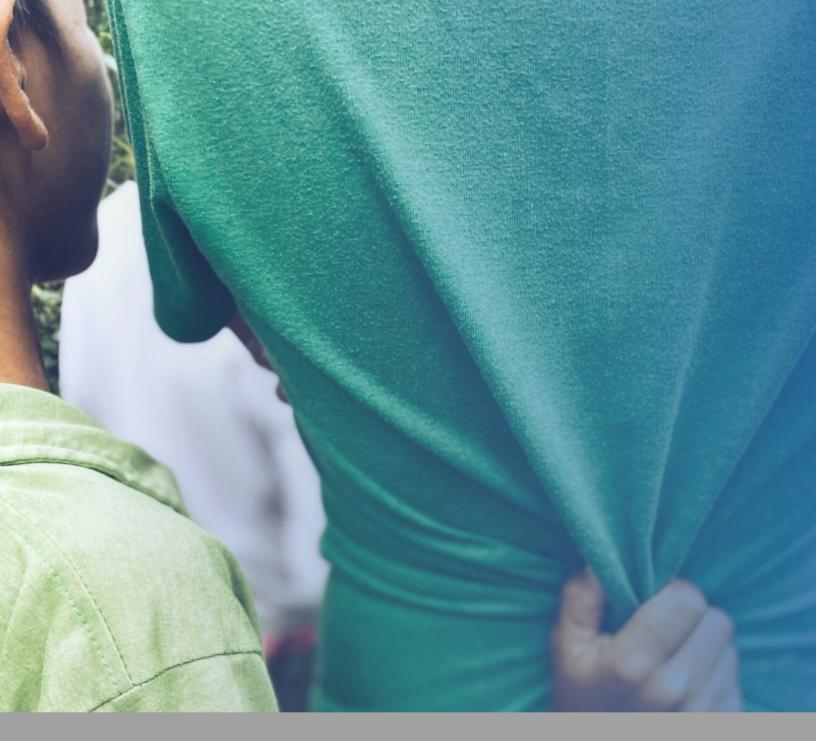


# A Family Reunited

705 DAYS! That's the number of days that our two clients spent living in a government shelter after speaking out about being groomed for online exploitation.

We are excited to share that they have now been placed in a safe home with family. We look forward to being able to be part of the reintegration process and reuniting them with the rest of their family.

It is because of their story and bravery, that we know prevention is possible!



# Training led to protecting children from abuse

In November, our team led multiple trainings for teens that taught them about online safety and whom God says they are.

Within the next week, abuse had been reported to a church's child protection officer by a teen who had been in attendance of our training. Now, two young children have been removed from their home and are protected from harm.

Sometimes, we may never get to hear results from these trainings. In this case, it was almost instant. We see and know there is so much opportunity with each and every training we are able to offer.

We see a future generation of Filipino children who are empowered and protected!



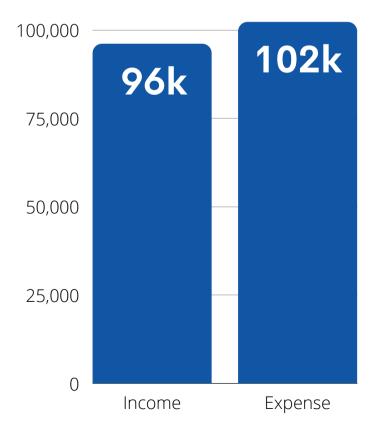
## **Training Feedback**

This board represents feedback from teenagers who attended our trainings in November.

- "I learned that I am created good, wonderful, unique, priceless. I am important."
- "We are important and created good by God."
- "Say NO to someone who encourages you to send pictures."
- "I learned to report red flags."
- "I thank God for letting me hear what is being shared today. I've learned that you have to be extra careful in posting and protect yourself."



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### 2021 in review

We had a 20 percent increase in our income. This increase included the sell of our company car in the Philippines and receiving the government assistance PPP loan.

Our income came from individual donations, churches, corporate sponsors, and a small amount from fundraisers.

The six thousand dollars in loss was able to be covered by savings.

# We thank you for your ongoing support of our programs.

# Acknowledgements

The mission and vision of Redeeming Zoe continues because of the hard work of our Filipino staff. Ivy and Nerissa, none of this would have been possible without your passion and dedication to seeing a safer world for Filipino children.

A big thank you to Mactan Cathedral of Faith for giving your time, resources, and transportation on so many occasions.

Tri-Tech Corporation, your faithful sponsorship is what has kept us going through this pandemic. Lives are being impacted and children are safer because of your giving.

Thank you to all of you who have faithfully given since day one. Your monthly gift, no matter the amount, is what has allowed us to plan forward.

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